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COVER PIECE AND METHOD FOR COFFEE CUP LIDS

Related Applications

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Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to a cover piece and method for covering the opening in the lid for a coffee cup, and more particularly to such a cover piece which has an adhesive layer and which can conveniently and reliably be placed over the opening to prevent spilling of the coffee, and can easily and reliably be removed and replaced.

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Background of the Invention

One common way for restaurants to serve coffee to customers is with a disposable cup, which often has a disposable lid, covering the cup in which the coffee is being served. This is done in fast food restaurants 25 which serve the food and coffee over the counters, where it can be taken off the premises. Also, these are used for drive-through restaurants where the car drives to a service window, and the coffee and also other beverages and/or food are served through the window. There are a number of establishments which serve coffee and/or other beverages 30 exclusively for drive-through customers.